

He received his law degree three years later from American University Law School in 1971. After working for several years in the Reagan Administration as Associate Undersecretary of Economic Affairs in the Department of Commerce, Barry began working for the Science Committee in 1989.

I met Barry when I came to Congress in 1993. Like many Congressional freshmen, I was eager to go to work on getting many of my ideas incorporated into Federal policy, but I had little understanding of the politics and processes of Capitol Hill. It was Barry who in many ways served as my mentor as I learned about policymaking in the House. He was always available to answer questions, and was an extremely patient and knowledgeable resource for members. He had the highest respect of members of Congress and his colleagues in the House. More importantly, Barry was a caring man and a great friend to all of us who knew and worked with him.

I want to extend my heartfelt sympathy to Barry's wife Bonnie and their two children during this difficult time. He will be deeply missed by all of us.

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE
LOLA SPRADLEY

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 2, 2003

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before this body of Congress and this Nation today to pay tribute to an outstanding citizen from my district. Lola Spradley of Beulah, Colorado is a dedicated public servant and a good friend. For years, Lola has worked to meet the needs of the citizens of the great State of Colorado through her work in the Colorado General Assembly, where she currently serves as Speaker of the House. For her dedication to Colorado, Lola is being recognized by Colorado State University—Pueblo with its Outstanding Service to the Community Award. She is a valuable public servant, and I am honored to pay tribute to Lola here today.

Lola is a true pioneer in Colorado politics, serving as the first female Speaker in the Colorado State General Assembly. For years, Lola has represented the needs of her district, working tirelessly to ensure that their voice is heard in the State Capitol. Before her term as Speaker, she served as the House Majority Leader from 2001 to 2002. In addition to her work in the State House, Lola has served on the Governor's Advisory Committee on Technology and as Chair of the Correctional Industries Advisory Committee.

Mr. Speaker, Lola Spradley has dedicated many years of service to the great State of Colorado. As Speaker of the House and as Representative of District Sixty, Lola diligently meets the needs of her constituents. I am honored to join with my colleagues today in paying tribute to Lola Spradley here today. Congratulations on your recognition, Lola, and I wish you all the best.

AMI SEMICONDUCTOR INITIAL
PUBLIC OFFERING

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 2, 2003

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate AMI Semiconductors on their initial public offering of common stock on the Nasdaq National Market. AMI Semiconductors began trading publicly on the Nasdaq on September 24, 2003, under the name AMIS.

AMIS is a leader in the design and manufacture of customer specific integrated mixed signal semiconductor products. The company focuses on the automotive, medical and industrial markets, which have significant analog interface requirements for real world applications.

Two years ago, AMI Semiconductors moved its headquarters from San Diego, California to Pocatello, Idaho, where it opened a new engineering and research center in the city. In 2001, the company appointed Christine King as its CEO and President. AMIS forged new territory by making Ms. King the first woman in the world to be named as the president of a semiconductor company.

While its headquarters are located in Idaho, AMIS maintains a global presence. It keeps sales offices and technical support centers throughout Asia, Europe and the USA. AMIS employs over 2,400 people worldwide, and about 1,100 of those employees work at their company headquarters in Pocatello. AMI Semiconductors has been a real asset to Idaho's local economy and business development. It is now the largest private employer in Pocatello, bringing new jobs and new economic growth to the area. In the past six months alone, they have created 130 new jobs in the region.

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate AMI Semiconductors on their initial public offering. I look forward to following their accomplishments in the business world and working with them over the coming months and years.

IMMIGRANT WORKERS FREEDOM
RIDE

HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 2, 2003

Mr. HONDA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express how thrilled I am to honor the immigrant workers for making their courageous journey across the country to fight for equality and civil rights. Modeled after the 1961 Freedom Rides of the U.S. civil rights movement, today's Immigrant Workers Freedom Riders are converging in Washington, D.C., after having visited cities and towns across America to raise awareness about the plight of immigrant workers.

This country was founded and built by immigrants. They are still the backbone of our country and we must continue to fight for their civil rights and immigration reform. Like countless Americans throughout our history, the Freedom Riders visiting our nation's capital today are seeking to fulfill their American

Dream. They work hard and contribute tremendously to our country, and to our economy. They deserve fair and equal treatment.

We must come together to continue to educate our communities about the plight of these workers, and to end the injustices and indignities these immigrants face daily.

The Immigrant Worker Freedom Ride is sponsored by a large coalition of religious groups, labor unions, immigrant advocates, and civil rights organizations. State legislators and political leaders across the country have endorsed the Freedom Ride, including the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, and the Congressional Black Caucus.

There are many members of Congress like myself, who support efforts for meaningful and long overdue reforms such as: Providing a "Road to Citizenship" for immigrant workers, reuniting families in a timely fashion by streamlining our outdated immigration policies, and protecting and restoring workplace rights for immigrants.

Together, we will ensure that our message of equality and human dignity is heard. We will educate other members of Congress, and convince them to join our efforts.

HONORING DISTINGUISHED LATINO
WRITERS

HON. RUBÉN HINOJOSA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 2, 2003

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, in recognition of the National Book Festival sponsored by the Library of Congress and First Lady Laura Bush, I rise today to honor three distinguished Latino Writers.

Jose-Luis Orozco is in many respects a multi-cultural teacher and musician and is recognized across the country for his contributions to bilingual education and literacy. His recordings and books share and transmit Latin American traditions and culture to millions of children. As a children's author, songwriter, performing artist, he has recorded 13 volumes of *Lirica Infantil*, Latin American Children's Music. He has also written two award winning books, *De Colores* and *Other Latin American Folks Songs for Children* (Dutton 1994) and *Diez Deditos, Ten Little Fingers*. (Dutton 1997).

Mr. Orozco was born in Mexico City. At the age of ten he traveled the world with the Mexico City Boys Choir. In 1970 after graduating from Mexico City School of Music, he moved to the United States. Initially, on a two week visit, Orozco permanently stayed and completed his master's degree in Multi-cultural Education from the University of California, Berkeley.

Jose-Luis Orozco continues to perform for children around the country at concert halls, libraries, and schools. He is a recognized expert in children music is a featured speaker and presenter at numerous educational conferences for teachers, parents, and librarians. Mr. Orozco is a valued resource for all who seek to use music as a multi-cultural learning tool. His passion and dedication to multi cultural education through music has impacted countless of individuals throughout the country.